



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a fantastic place Everton Park State School is in which to work, learn, play and celebrate.

School holidays are fast approaching. Teachers are busy writing reports and administration is working tirelessly on 2017 preparations. As we draw closer to the end of the year, students can have a tendency to tire. Please ensure your child gets plenty of rest and a good night's sleep. We want all students to finish the year the way they started it.

Parents will receive, via email, their child's end of year report card on Wednesday, 7 December, 2016. If you don't receive the report on this date please let administration know on the Thursday. Parents will also be notified about their child's class placement on this day. Each child will receive a letter to take home with them.

Next week is another big week. On Monday, 21 November, we have our last P&C meeting for 2016. Please come along and help celebrate the achievements of 2016.

On Monday we will also be holding the Senior Swimming Carnival. As always, the focus will be on participation and doing your best. Please encourage your child to participate. I invite parents and the wider school community to support our students on this day.

Next week our Year 5 students will be taking part in the final process for student leadership. I thank all the students who have expressed their interest in taking on one of these positions and wish them the best of luck.

On Friday, 25 November we will be holding the Footsteps Disco. Prep – Year 2 will be held from 6pm – 7pm, Years 3 – Years 6 will be held from 7.15pm – 8.15pm. Food will be for sale on the night. **Students must have an accompanying adult to supervise them the entire time while they are in attendance.** We will have a lot of our teachers attending the disco and I want to thank them for giving up their time at such a busy time of the year.

Thanking you for your support,

Ange Padgett

Principal

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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

21-24th Book Fair
21st Senior swimming carnival from 9 – 3:00pm
24th Year 2 excursion to Twelfth Night Theatre
25th Footsteps Disco
28th 2017 Prep Information night 6:30 – 7:30pm
30th Year 6 Graduation

DECEMBER

1st Year 1 – 3 Swimming Carnival 9 – 12:30pm
2nd Final Assembly
5th Christmas Carols night
6th Prep Swimming Carnival 9 – 11am
7th Volunteer's Morning Tea
9th Last day of term



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS

2017 Student Leadership Positions

Next week we will complete our student leadership selection process. This will be held over Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (22, 23, 24 November) afternoons from 2pm to 3pm in the hall.

Tuesday afternoon will involve speeches and voting for the positions of School Captains and School Vice-Captains.

Wednesday afternoon will involve speeches and voting for Sports Captains and House Captains.

Thursday afternoon will involve speeches and voting for Arts Captains and Student Councillors.

As we move through the week, students who accept positions will become ineligible for subsequent positions. eg. If a student accepts a School Captain or School Vice-Captain position, they would therefore be ineligible for the Arts Captain or Student Councillor positions.

A shortened preferential voting system will be used which will be scrutinized by myself and another member of the administration team. Students who are successful in gaining a position will be informed before the next session of speeches and voting occurs. Only students successful in winning a position will be informed. If students are not offered a position, it means they have been unsuccessful and can continue through the leadership process. No announcement of positions will occur in the hall during the speech/voting sessions. This will be clearly explained to all Year 5 students.

All Year 4 and Year 5 students and Everton Park State School Staff are eligible to vote. The voting process will be clearly explained to all students involved prior to Tuesday 22 Nov.

Parents and family members are welcome to attend the hall at these times to watch the children make their speeches.

David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

LIBRARY NEWS

Morning Reading club finishes this week. I would like to thank all our fabulous volunteers for all their support this year and, of course, their smiling happy faces which create such a wonderful vibe in our library. I'm sure that's why we have so many morning readers and their parents crowding in each day. We look forward to seeing you next year.

All library borrowing finishes this week and all books must be returned before Friday, 2nd of December. The Queensland State Schools ebooks digital library subscription is also finished for this year. However, Brisbane has some amazing council libraries, so the holidays will be a great time to revisit or just use their ebook and audio collections for your holiday reading. They also provide excellent holiday activities.

Next week is our annual book fair which is being held in the library. Come along and browse. Books make THE best Christmas presents for children. (See Book Fair flyer)

Miss Lukey
Teacher/Librarian
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P&C NEWS

With just over three weeks to go, you would be forgiven for thinking it was time to start kicking back and looking forward to holidays, but no! There are a number of functions and gatherings for you to enjoy.

First of all is the final P & C meeting for the year on Monday night at 7pm. It will be a great opportunity to hear about the exciting plans for the school, both from the P & C, as well as the EPSS Leadership team. Come along and enjoy some refreshments with us in the Computer Lab (inside the Library) for the final time this year.

You will also find in the Library a box just waiting for goodies to be donated for our Christmas raffle. This is our big community raffle of the year and we would gratefully accept any type of Christmas donations. Tickets will be sent home early next week and the raffle will be drawn at Carols Night on Monday, 5 December.

Have a great week
Tanya Milgate
P & C President

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Gala Days

The gala days are now over. Congratulations to all the students who participated. The teams play very well and represented the school with pride.

Swimming Carnival dates

Senior 4 - 6 Monday 21/11 (9 - 3pm)

9 year olds in Year 3 are eligible to participate in the senior carnival if they can swim 50m. (More information will be sent out closer to the date) Classroom teachers are in the process of completing nominations for students. Students are required to swim in 50m events to be eligible for Age Champion.

The 100m medley students need to be at the pool by 8:00am on Monday. The program for the day will be emailed to parents.

Year 1 - 3 Thursday 1/12 (9 - 12:30pm)

Prep - Tuesday 6/12 (9 - 11am)

PE Students of the Week

Thank you
Ian Bird
ibird1@eq.edu.au

ALL THAT GLITTERS AND GLOWS DISCO



Sparkle, shine or light up on the dance floor on Friday, 25 November at the "All that Glitters & Glows" disco
Prep - Grade 2 from 6-7pm and Grades 3-6 from 7:15—8:15pm.

There will be food and soft drinks available on the night. Glow products and other yummy treats will also be for sale.

There will be prizes for best costume and dance floor moves!

If you are able to help on this night please contact Naomi Seaton on 0433445311 or send an email to chaplaincy@everparkss.eq.edu.au

FOUND

A small pink zip purse was found on the school grounds on Friday 11 November. If it belongs to you could you please enquire at the office.

LOST PROPERTY

There are still items in the lost property box, which is located in The Shed. Please could you check the box for items that may belong to your child. Any items that are un-named will be donated to charity.

A REMINDER TO PARENTS TO PLEASE NAME ALL THEIR CHILDREN'S ITEMS OF CLOTHING AND STATIONERY FOR NEXT YEAR.



TUCKERBOX NEWS

Please use our online ordering system, flexischools.com.au, to order your child's lunch. I will be co-convening this term with Bee Bridgland while she undertakes training for her new job as EPSS Tuckshop Convenor extraordinaire. Please pop in and say hello.

NOVEMBER ROSTER

Thursday 24 – Melissa Lynch

Friday 25 – Vicky Wilson, Jo Baird, Sam Nicholson

DECEMBER ROSTER

Thursday 1 – Misato Betts

Friday 2 **(LAST DAY OF TUCKSHOP)** – Ann Jabas, Joy Wood, Julie Beardmore

During the swimming carnival on 21 November, the Tuckshop will be open 2nd break for frozen treats and over the counter orders

Menu Update

Hawaiian Pizza \$3.50 **SOLD OUT**
Thai Pumpkin Soup \$3.50 **2 left only!**
Finding Dory Ice Creams \$2.00
Lemonade Icy Twists \$1.00
Garlic Bread **SOLD OUT**

Katrina Coomber and Bea Bridgland
Tuckshop Convenors

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open each Friday from 8:15 to 9:30am

Volunteers NEEDED urgently!!

The Uniform Shop urgently needs volunteers to help out on Friday mornings. You'll be required from 8.15am – 9.30am. If you can help please email me on jjbounceback@optusnet.com.au or phone me on 0402880216, or pop in and see me on a Friday morning. It's a great way to meet all the wonderful families in our school and I would REALLY appreciate your help.

FLEXISCHOOLS

Do you need some uniforms? Why not order them on Flexischools. No need to come into the school at all. Send in your order and I will fill it and hand deliver it to your child in class. Save time and order on Flexischools.

2nd HAND UNIFORMS NEEDED

Do you have uniforms that the children have grown out of? Bring them into us!! We need your 2nd hand uniforms. Bring them to the Uniform Shop on Friday during normal opening hours and we'll have a look at them. They need to be in good condition and if they are, we'll PAY you \$10 per item for them, \$20 for Sports Jackets. Just remember to also bring along your account details so we can transfer the money into your account. Bring them to the Uniform Shop on Friday during normal opening hours and we'll have a look at them. They need to be in good condition and if they are, we'll PAY you \$10 per item for them, \$20 for Sports Jackets. Just remember to also bring along your account details so we can transfer the money into your account.

Hats - \$15
Second hand clothes - \$15
Second hand jackets - \$25

Jeanette Jenkinson
Uniform Shop Convenor

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

End of Year Concert - Tuesday 15th November

Congratulations and bravo to all of our talented musicians and singers who performed really well last night at our concert.

Instrumental Music Forms - 2017

If your child will be learning an instrument in 2017 please make sure that all paperwork and monies are received to our school office by Thursday 24th November.

Pizza Party – Thursday, 24 November

Our Strings and Band Students have been invited to a pizza party on Thursday, 24 November. If your child will be having pizza don't forget to send your child's \$5 to our school office by Thursday 17th November.

Final band lessons with Mrs Hall will be on Wednesday, 23 November please make sure that if your child is using a school instrument that they are returned on this dayThere will be NO more beginner or senior band rehearsals for the remainder of the year***

String queries contact Anne Keenan at akeen9@eq.edu.au
Band queries contact Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au
Classroom Music queries/Choir/The Elements contact Claire Van Vurren at cvanv6@eq.edu.au



CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Christmas is coming! We'll be celebrating on Monday, 5th December with our very own Christmas Carols. Join us at 5:00pm for our Cheerleading Fundraiser BBQ dinner at the tuckshop. We'll meet on the oval at 6:15pm for a 6:30pm start. Come dressed in your best Christmas outfit. Just a reminder that the playgrounds are out of bounds. See you then for a great night!

ATTACHMENTS

- Term 4 Calendar
- Book Fair poster
- Resilience skills for a happy life
- Aspley State High School Orientation

SCHOOL BANKING

Just a friendly reminder about our school banking competition. The opportunity to win an iPad Mini 2 donated by the Commonwealth Bank will be extended to 24 November. It will then be drawn and announced at our final assembly on Friday, 2 December. The competition is open to all students who have opened accounts and consistently banked (3 or more times) over the 6 weeks we have been banking this term. So you still have a little more time to join and be in the running for a fantastic prize!

If you have any questions about the School Banking Program, please do not hesitate to contact us at epssschoobanking@gmail.com."

